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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON MICROWAVE LANDING  
SYSTEMS; DIRECT APPROACH BY CONGRESSMAN BURTON TO SOVIET  
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1. DURING FEBRUARY 14 MEETING ON OTHER SUBJECTS, DEPUTY  
MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION TATYANA ANODINA EXPRESSED SOVIET  
CONFUSION OVER TELEGRAM RECENTLY RECEIVED FROM CONGRESSMAN  
JOHN L. BURTON. BURTON'S TELEGRAM WAS SENT BY COMMERCIAL  
MEANS TO MIKHAIL KUZNETSOV, USSR REPRESENTATIVE TO ALL-  
WEATHER OPERATIONS PANEL (AWOP) OF INTERNATIONAL CIVIL  
AVIATION ORGANIZATION (ICAO). MESSAGE SAYS THAT BURTON'S  
"SUBCOMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
IS INVESTIGATING UK CHARGES THAT FAA PRESENTATION OF  
LINCOLN LAB BRUSSELS SCENARIO IN AWOP WP 321 CONSTITUTED  
ATTEMPT TO MISLEAD AWOP." IT POSES SIX QUESTIONS  
REGARDING BRUSSELS SIMULATION AND REQUESTS "IMMEDIATE  
RESPONSES." ANODINA HAS AUTHORIZED KUZNETSOV TO REPLY TO  
BURTON AND HAS GIVEN US ORIGINAL OF KUZNETSOV'S LETTER  
FOR TRANSMISSION. LETTER APPEARS UPON CURSORY PERUSAL TO  
BE CAREFULLY WORDED RESPONSE AT TECHNICAL LEVEL WHICH  
NEATLY AVOIDS INVOLVEMENT IN THORNIER ETHICAL ISSUES AT  
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WHICH QUESTIONS ARE CLEARLY AIMED. WE WILL POUCH ORIGINAL  
OF KUZNETSOV'S LETTER FEBRUARY 18, ALONG WITH UNOFFICIAL  
TRANSLATION.

2. ANODINA WAS OBVIOUSLY PUZZLED BY CHANNEL OF COMMUNICA-  
TION SELECTED BY BURTON AND WAS CURIOUS AS TO HIS BASIC  
INTENT. SHE REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY INQUIRE INFORMALLY

WHETHER OTHER COUNTRIES' (CANADA, FRG, FRANCE, ETC.)  
AWOP REPRESENTATIVES HAD BEEN SIMILARLY QUERIED, AND  
WONDERED WHETHER SUCH HOUSE INVESTIGATION PORTENDED SHIFT  
IN US APPROACH TO TIME REFERENCE SCANNING BEAM/MICROWAVE  
LANDING SYSTEM (TRSB/MLS). SHE ASKED SPECIFICALLY  
WHETHER IT FORESHADOWED LESS ACTIVE PURSUIT IN FUTURE.

3. COMMENT AND ACTION REQUESTED: IT IS CLEAR TO US THAT  
BURTON CABLE HAS RAISED DOUBTS AT MINCIVAIR ABOUT US  
POSITION ON THIS SUBJECT, PERHAPS EVEN THE FIRMNESS WITH  
WHICH IT IS HELD. WE VIEW THIS AS REGRETTABLE DEVELOPMENT,  
AS USSR HAS HITHERTO BEEN PROVIDING CONSISTENT AND  
WELCOME SUPPORT ON TRSB/MLS AND WE DO NOT WISH TO APPEAR IN  
SOVIET EYES TO NOW BE WAVERING OURSELVES. WE THINK IT  
WOULD BE MOST USEFUL IF DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE US  
SPECIFIC WORDING OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT WE COULD MAKE TO  
SOVIETS MAKING CLEAR THAT USG POSITION ON TRSB/MLS HAS IN  
NO WAY BEEN MODIFIED. DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO WISH TO DISCUSS  
THIS WITH DOT AND FAA. MATLOCK

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